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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF
ASSOCIATED FEE**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts mailed December 17, 2003, now set to expire on February 17, 2004, be extended two (2) months to expire on April 19, 2004 (April 17, 2004 fell on a Saturday, therefore, the date for response is Monday, April 19, 2004).

Applicant respectfully requests that the fee for the extension of time be waived. Applicant never received the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed December 17, 2003. Instead, the assistant of Applicant's attorney called the Patent Office March 18, 2003 to ask the Patent Office why Applicant's attorney had not received the expected Notice to File Missing Parts. The person at the Patent Office that received the phone call determined that the Notice to File Missing Parts had been mailed December 17, 2003, and faxed a copy of Applicant's attorney that same day,

March 18, 2003, which was already into the second month of extension. Applicant is now responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed December 17, 2003 but not received until March 18, 2003 in less than one month, still within that second month of extension. Thus, the apparent delay in responding the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed December 17, 2003 is entirely without fault on behalf of the applicant or his attorney, and thus the fee attending the extension should be waived. If the Office finds that the fee must be paid despite these circumstances, Applicant hereby authorized the Office to charge any necessary fees to or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1897.

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